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PLAYBACK APPARATUS AND CONTENT RECORDING PROGRAM

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 3, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to May 3, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action is respectfully requested in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the above-noted drawing change is attached following page 16 of this paper.